

# MONTHLY SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Most of the tables in this publication have been prepared entirely on a monthly basis, to provide easy comparison of data. With a few exceptions, annual and quarterly figures are expressed as Monthly Averages, and these can be converted to actual totals by multiplying by 12 and 3 respectively.

For example (from page 3 opposite):

Marriages in year 1959 -

Monthly average

Therefore Annual total =  $12 \times 551 =$

(Actual figure is 6,614)

551

6,612

Births in March quarter 1960 -

Monthly average

1,742

Therefore quarterly total =  $3 \times 1,742 =$

5,226

(Actual figure is 5,225)

The statistics as published can be adapted to give information in a number of different forms. For instance -

- (1) Details can be obtained for calendar or financial years as required, by addition of figures for the four relevant quarters.
- (2) Progress total for the year to date can be obtained by adding totals of quarters and months.

e.g. If May figures are the latest published, total for the 5 months to May =  $3 \times$  monthly average of March quarter + April and May.

This procedure can be used to calculate corresponding figures for the same period of the previous two years, or similar information on a financial year basis.

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Details of production on pages 8 - 11 are for selected items only. Particulars for several commodities of considerable importance in this State have been withheld because publication would reveal confidential information.

ABBREVIATIONS USED

Throughout this bulletin the following symbols have been used -

n.a. Not collected, not available for publication, or not applicable

.. Nil (or less than 0.5)

p Preliminary figures

r Revised since previous issue

— Break in continuity of series (where drawn across a column between two consecutive figures)

A blank space in a column of figures means the figure concerned is not yet available.

When the symbols "p" and "r" are placed in the column headed "Period" (as for example on page 13), they refer to all figures on that particular line.

DEMOGRAPHY

	Births (a)	Marriages (a)	Deaths (a)		Net Migration (Overseas and Inter- state)(c)	Population (d)	
			Infant (b)	Total		Whole State	Metro- politan
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>							
Year:	1955	1,541	519	36	628	1,286	834,635
	1956	1,580	523	31	633	1,326	861,912
	1957	1,628	548	34	631	1,028	886,203
	1958	1,671	542	37	645	790	907,992
	1959	1,698	551	35	662	1,167	934,427
Quarter:							
Dec.	1957	1,572	561	30	586	1,016	886,203
Mar.	1958	1,662	563	33	562	882	892,149
June		1,619	575	31	607	521	896,750
Sept.		1,715	485	46	767	712	901,728
Dec.		1,687	546	41	646	1,047	907,992
Mar.	1959	1,698	597	35	590	1,149	914,763
June		1,630	543	30	638	1,032	920,835
Sept.		1,865	484	49	850	1,154	927,341
Dec.		1,598	580	27	569	1,333	934,427
Mar.	1960	1,742(e)	551	32	580	559	939,576
June		1,868(e)	607	33	592	614	945,247
Sept.		1,518(e)	478	34	784		p577,300
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>							
August	1958	n.a.	512	47	758		
Sept.		n.a.	553	37	710		
Oct.		n.a.	547	52	798		NOT
August	1959	n.a.	459	42	835		
Sept.		n.a.	569	43	704		AVAILABLE
Oct.		n.a.	702	26	585		
August	1960	n.a.	431	34	914		
Sept.		n.a.	597	32	731		
Oct.		n.a.	670	41	636		

(a) Registrations recorded during the period.

(b) Under 1 year of age.

(c) Excess of arrivals over departures. Interstate migration relates to recorded movements by rail, sea and air, and certain special movements by road.

(d) As at the end of each period.

(e) Changed registration procedure from January, 1960 has resulted in fluctuations in subsequent periods.

NOTE: Population increases of the State can be calculated from the above figures as the sum of Natural Increase (Births minus Deaths) plus Net Migration.

For meaning of symbols p, n.a., see page 2.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA  
EMPLOYMENT AND BASIC WAGE

Period	Employment (a)						Basic Wage (b)
	Total	Government	Private	Principal Industrial Groups	Factories	Building & Const- ruction	
	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	s. d.
<b>MONTH</b>							
July	1956	187.0	57.1	129.9	73.6	21.2	12.3 241 0
	1957	185.8	58.6	127.2	72.7	20.1	12.1 251 0
	1958	186.6	59.2	127.4	73.8	18.9	12.3 256 0
	1959	192.3	61.8	130.5	76.1	20.7	12.4 271 0
	1960	196.4	61.6	134.8	79.6	19.1	13.1 271 0
June	1958	186.0	59.1	126.9	73.0	19.0	12.4 256 0
July		186.6	59.2	127.4	73.8	18.9	12.3 256 0
Aug.		186.5	59.1	127.4	73.8	19.0	12.3 256 0
June	1959	192.0	61.7	130.3	75.8	20.6	12.4 271 0
July		192.3	61.8	130.5	76.1	20.7	12.4 271 0
Aug.		192.5	62.0	130.5	76.2	20.7	12.5 271 0
June	1960	196.8	61.4	135.4	79.7	19.3	13.2 271 0
July		196.4	61.6	134.8	79.6	19.1	13.1 271 0
Aug.		196.3	61.6	134.7	79.8	19.0	13.1 271 0
<b>FEMALES</b>							
July	1956	62.7	13.6	49.1	15.6	0.5	13.0 180 6
	1957	62.5	14.0	48.5	15.7	0.5	12.3 188 0
	1958	63.7	14.8	48.9	16.1	0.5	12.1 192 0
	1959	66.0	16.0	50.0	16.4	0.5	12.6 203 0
	1960	70.1	17.0	53.1	17.8	0.5	13.2 203 0
June	1958	63.4	14.5	48.9	15.9	0.5	12.2 192 0
July		63.7	14.8	48.9	16.1	0.5	12.1 192 0
Aug.		63.7	14.8	48.9	16.0	0.5	12.1 192 0
June	1959	65.9	15.8	50.1	16.4	0.5	12.6 203 0
July		66.0	16.0	50.0	16.4	0.5	12.6 203 0
Aug.		66.2	16.0	50.2	16.6	0.5	12.5 203 0
June	1960	69.9	16.9	53.0	17.7	0.5	13.2 203 0
July		70.1	17.0	53.1	17.8	0.5	13.2 203 0
Aug.		70.4	17.0	53.4	18.0	0.5	13.2 203 0

(a) As at last pay-day in month. EXCLUDING rural workers, female private domestics and defence forces.

(b) At end of month.

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## UNEMPLOYMENT

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Period	Registered with Commonwealth Employment Service			Unemployment Benefits		
	Vacancies filled	Vacancies available (a)	Applicants awaiting placement (a) (b)	Persons admitted	Amount paid	Persons on Benefit (a)
	No.	No.	No.	No.	£	No.
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>						
Year:	1955	1,953	6,410	606	39	743
	1956	1,902	1,668	2,873	365	4,869
	1957	1,746	1,430	3,584	624	15,563
	1958	1,865	2,059	3,831	898	33,212
	1959	2,163	2,275	3,762	605	23,049
<u>Quarter:</u>						
Dec.	1957	1,621	1,430	3,584	680	23,749
Mar.	1958	2,463	1,050	4,607	892	26,547
June		1,495	948	5,082	1,128	33,871
Sept.		1,604	1,344	4,516	961	42,136
Dec.		1,899	2,059	3,831	613	30,296
Mar.	1959	2,543	1,526	4,077	667	24,109
June		2,198	1,581	3,958	668	24,259
Sept.		2,107	1,825	3,693	625	24,400
Dec.		1,803	2,275	3,762	458	19,428
Mar.	1960	2,682	1,989	4,138	685	18,214
June		1,779	1,650	4,547	784	20,984
Sept.		2,185	r 2,207	r 3,441	559	23,568
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>						
August	1958	1,389	1,197	5,082	1,132	40,322
Sept.		1,787	1,344	4,516	708	47,784
Oct.		1,960	1,377	4,141	591	38,240
August	1959	1,848	1,803	4,292	757	22,503
Sept.		2,295	1,825	3,693	431	27,180
Oct.		1,748	1,892	3,693	535	17,604
August	1960	2,422	1,790	4,203	499	22,167
Sept.		2,326	2,207	3,441	375	23,273
Oct.		2,132	2,768	3,253	359	15,485
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(a) Actual numbers as at the end of the period.

(b) Applicants who stated when registering that they were unemployed. Includes recipients of Unemployment Benefits.

For meaning of symbol r, see page 2.

**BUILDINGS - COMMENCEMENTS AND COMPLETIONS**  
**(WHOLE STATE)**

Period	Houses		Flats		Total Buildings (a)		
	Number (b)	Value (£'000)	Number (b)	Value (£'000)	Number	Value (£'000)	
<b>COMMENCEMENTS</b>							
<b>MONTHLY AVERAGES</b>							
Year:	1955-56	698	2,131	11	27	781	3,600
	1956-57	569	1,792	25	55	662	2,657
	1957-58	579	1,875	42	90	684	2,971
	1958-59	677	2,170	63	153	822	3,561
	1959-60	742	2,482	68	172	883	4,015
Quarters:							
Sept.	1957	644	2,106	42	108	760	3,029
Dec.		563	1,824	30	51	653	2,710
Mar.	1958	505	1,624	50	104	615	2,961
June		605	1,945	44	97	708	3,187
Sept.		638	2,029	85	238	816	3,612
Dec.		632	2,017	76	171	793	3,389
Mar.	1959	653	2,104	32	67	752	3,226
June		785	2,531	57	136	928	4,020
Sept.		755	2,456	59	150	895	4,276
Dec.		695	2,305	90	219	846	3,783
Mar.	1960	804	2,707	50	152	926	4,052
June		715	2,460	73	168	866	3,950
<b>COMPLETIONS</b>							
Year:	1955-56	643	1,940	7	17	721	2,810
	1956-57	599	1,900	19	43	688	2,833
	1957-58	634	2,059	31	73	733	3,171
	1958-59	679	2,188	53	130	808	3,700
	1959-60	748	2,473	50	116	871	3,970
Quarters:							
Sept.	1957	641	2,036	32	82	743	3,003
Dec.		686	2,245	26	59	795	3,393
Mar.	1958	583	1,922	40	94	680	3,028
June		625	2,032	26	55	714	3,258
Sept.		680	2,191	54	131	799	3,244
Dec.		679	2,198	67	167	830	4,685
Mar.	1959	611	1,959	49	123	734	3,158
June		744	2,404	43	98	869	3,712
Sept.		719	2,339	51	119	853	3,771
Dec.		802	2,625	54	123	934	4,069
Mar.	1960	731	2,466	48	115	842	3,888
June		740	2,460	48	105	856	4,152

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BUILDINGS - PERMITS (c)

(METROPOLITAN AREA)

Period	Houses		Flats		Total Buildings (a)	
	Number (b)	Value (£'000)	Number (b)	Value (£'000)	Number	Value (£'000)
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>						
Year:	1955-56	471	1,447	11	17	537
	1956-57	361	1,140	37	64	448
	1957-58	381	1,220	45	73	474
	1958-59	406	1,318	53	119	492
	1959-60	448	1,521	68	158	551
<u>Quarter:</u>						
Dec.	1957	357	1,127	44	72	449
Mar.	1958	302	1,006	49	80	397
June		392	1,228	43	72	485
Sept.		481	1,533	58	135	569
Dec.		359	1,155	50	100	446
Mar.	1959	382	1,263	38	86	450
June		400	1,319	65	155	502
Sept.		437	1,482	48	107	527
Dec.		461	1,526	36	79	531
Mar.	1960	459	1,591	96	210	588
June		434	1,484	91	239	558
Sept.		469	1,637	57	142	570
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>						
August	1958	446	1,337	54	95	547
Sept.		448	1,468	69	216	560
Oct.		406	1,280	26	58	482
August	1959	443	1,488	42	87	521
Sept.		359	1,292	44	99	451
Oct.		437	1,460	28	62	501
August	1960	532	1,793	44	101	618
Sept.		462	1,592	71	162	589
Oct.		421	1,562	34	125	495

(a) Includes factories, shops and other new buildings but excludes additions and alterations.

(b) Each dwelling unit of maisonettes and flats counted separately.

(c) Includes Housing Trust, but excludes other Government authorisations.

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## PRODUCTION - SELECTED COMMODITIES

Period	Coal	Iron Ore (a)	Electricity	Clay Bricks (b)	Cement Roofing Tiles	Sawn Timber (c)
	tons	tons	'000 K.W.H.	'000	'000	'000 sup.ft.
<b>MONTHLY AVERAGES</b>						
Year:	1955-56.	37,555	268,980	100,293	6,264	805
	1956-57	43,829	297,834	109,601	6,430	687
	1957-58	59,131	276,729	131,737	7,060	650
	1958-59	61,269	284,697	131,930	7,597	677
	1959-60	61,456	286,781	p 151,128	p 8,637	p 876
<b>Quarter:</b>						
Dec.	1957	50,323	295,178	129,100	6,951	640
Mar.	1958	63,951	273,373	126,000	6,768	633
June		57,593	274,712	129,800	7,263	658
Sept.		69,082	287,921	141,053	7,657	692
Dec.		61,046	281,526	119,786	7,593	585
Mar.	1959	54,418	278,090	127,456	6,927	595
June		60,530	291,251	139,425	8,210	835
Sept.		56,295	289,128	p 157,859	p 8,904	p 910
Dec.		58,882	282,600	p 147,555	p 8,541	p 870
Mar.	1960	61,533	287,358	p 143,399	p 8,477	p 839
June		69,113	288,037	p 155,701	p 8,624	p 867
Sept.		82,894		p 168,044	p 9,231	p 917
<b>MONTHLY TOTALS</b>						
August	1958	69,800	n.a.	137,565	7,305	647
Sept.		68,910	n.a.	130,534	7,688	663
Oct.		63,319	n.a.	124,111	8,112	624
August	1959	56,334	n.a.	p 157,095	p 8,290	p 847
Sept.		60,512	n.a.	p 150,877	p 9,684	p 953
Oct.		58,568	n.a.	p 149,167	p 8,892	p 795
August	1960	82,842	n.a.	p 171,228	p 9,441	p 1,087
Sept.		74,870	n.a.	p 156,704	p 9,512	p 808
Oct.		76,615	n.a.	p 147,026		

(a) Includes Jaspalite.

(b) Includes both standard and non-standard types.

(c) From Australian logs only.

## PRODUCTION - SELECTED COMMODITIES

Period	Paints (other than water)& Enamels	Water Paints (Emulsion type)	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Electric Storage Hot Water Systems	Electric Washing Machines	Bath Heaters (all kinds)	Caravans
	galls	galls	Sq.yds	No.	No.	No.	No.
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>							
Year:	1955-56	n.a.	n.a.	94,203	509	5,897	1,007
	1956-57	n.a.	n.a.	78,379	379	4,348	951
	1957-58	106,419	25,437	81,021	428	5,182	902
	1958-59	99,715	16,540	84,852	519	6,467	846
	1959-60 p	91,438	14,588	93,132	650	6,823	731
<u>Quarter:</u>							
Mar.	1958	112,679	19,715	71,978	376	5,121	666
June		92,951	14,275	83,516	448	6,359	784
Sept.		106,721	20,462	88,825	525	6,647	1,071
Dec.		114,149	17,349	81,838	509	6,528	875
Mar.	1959	87,440	14,278	79,844	472	5,413	135
June		90,548	14,072	88,902	569	7,278	749
Sept.	p	93,522	12,619	101,397	690	6,883	948
Dec.	p	94,233	16,582	91,984	591	5,253	86
Mar.	1960 p	92,678	15,151	86,867	666	6,739	638
June	p	85,318	13,998	92,282	652	8,417	642
Sept.	p	104,321	15,312	92,630	829	7,679	91
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>							
August	1958	104,740	18,224	85,523	503	6,503	1,189
Sept.		113,669	22,999	87,981	532	6,657	975
Oct.		118,976	17,616	93,445	530	7,101	1,081
August	1959 p	90,574	13,526	98,055	624	6,460	934
Sept.	p	95,988	11,549	100,974	691	6,463	994
Oct.	p	96,302	14,756	97,959	653	5,743	648
August	1960 p	109,241	16,933	95,158	888	7,124	1,054
Sept.	p	112,187	17,844	94,057	816	7,518	788
Oct.	p	124,091	21,489				r 135
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For meaning of symbols n.a., p, r, see page 2

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PRODUCTION - SELECTED COMMODITIES

Period	Inner Spring Mattresses	Footwear (a)	Men's & Youths' Suit Coats (b)	Sports Trousers	Meat (c)	
					Beef and Veal	Lamb and Mutton
	No.	pairs	No.	pairs	tons	tons
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>						
Year: 1955-56	3,526	128,112	n.a.	n.a.	3,126	3,695
1956-57	3,601	133,352	n.a.	n.a.	3,355	3,547
1957-58	4,127	139,259	2,179	6,544	3,423	4,473
1958-59	4,142	133,479	2,216	4,715	3,514	4,583
1959-60	p 4,673	p 136,310	p 2,669	p 5,248	2,773	5,230
<u>Quarter:</u>						
Dec. 1957	4,383	131,387	2,527	6,429	3,420	6,460
Mar. 1958	3,981	127,128	1,945	6,673	3,280	4,549
June	3,814	148,381	1,655	6,427	3,529	3,401
Sept.	4,190	144,856	2,521	4,314	3,126	3,848
Dec.	4,215	129,362	2,313	5,725	3,665	6,705
Mar. 1959	3,813	106,764	1,851	4,239	3,670	4,120
June	4,349	152,936	2,180	4,582	3,594	3,661
Sept.	p 4,529	p 140,133	p 2,581	p 4,333	3,042	5,119
Dec.	p 4,819	p 133,784	p 2,721	p 4,900	2,934	7,239
Mar. 1960	p 4,781	p 125,421	p 2,537	p 5,773	2,577	4,722
June	p 4,562	p 145,900	p 2,838	p 5,985	2,541	3,839
Sept.	p 5,193	p 153,633	p 3,440	p 6,544	2,358	4,105
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>						
August 1958	4,567	140,897	2,001	4,080	2,777	3,397
Sept.	4,318	139,428	3,098	4,310	2,692	4,087
Oct.	4,224	147,037	2,684	6,545	3,652	7,976
August 1959	p 4,638	p 130,277	p 2,292	p 3,786	2,624	4,183
Sept.	p 4,485	p 137,294	p 2,589	p 5,894	2,884	6,676
Oct.	p 4,199	p 141,260	p 3,340	p 4,903	3,082	8,432
August 1960 p	5,836	160,643	4,043(b)	7,458	2,150	3,681
Sept. p	4,922	166,456	3,034	6,374	2,225	4,730

(a) Excludes sandshoes, goloshes, gum etc. boots of rubber and infants' soft soled nursery footwear.

(b) Prior to July 1960 excluded coats for 3 piece suits.

(c) Bone-in weight.

For meaning of symbols n.a., p, —, see page 2.

## PRODUCTION - SELECTED COMMODITIES

Period	Butter (a)	Cheese (a)	Bacon and Ham (b)	Confect- ionery	Margarine	Aerated Waters
					'000 lbs.	'000 gall
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>						
Year:	1955-56	1,598	2,358	617	391	190
	1956-57	1,576	2,232	590	415	238
	1957-58	1,313	1,959	554	409	257
	1958-59	1,317	2,091	541	449	273
	1959-60 p	1,156	2,032	553	488	321
<u>Quarter:</u>						
Dec.	1957	1,885	3,491	680	385	216
Mar.	1958	885	966	500	351	230
June		856	815	493	429	267
Sept.		1,575	2,436	538	518	314
Dec.		1,911	3,748	669	428	238
Mar.	1959	906	1,237	454	349	257
June		876	942	505	500	284
Sept.	p	1,284	2,274	563	566	328
Dec.	p	1,533	3,314	679	446	297
Mar.	1960 p	906	1,458	470	387	311
June	p	903	1,081	499	552	347
Sept.	p	1,534	2,790	527	648	373
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>						
August	1958	1,556	2,371	500	477	236
Sept.		1,891	3,288	581	511	315
Oct.		2,210	4,150	585	463	366
August	1959 p	1,268	2,125	525	624	246
Sept.	p	1,515	3,152	621	483	349
Oct.	p	1,688	4,008	608	453	409
August	1960 p	1,627	2,718	538	730	328
Sept.	p	1,747	3,649	560	634	333
Oct.	p					383

(a) Factory production only.

(b) Finished weight.

For meaning of symbols n.a., p, see page 2.

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## EXPORTS - QUANTITY OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

Period	Lamb '000 lbs	Wheat '000 bush	Barley '000 bush	Wool (a) '000 lbs	Lead (Pig) '000 cwt	Minerals (b) '000 cwt
<b>MONTHLY AVERAGES</b>						
Year: 1955-56	1,437	1,325	1,159	11,772	239	470
1956-57	1,123	1,677	1,559	12,967	268	491
1957-58	1,394	1,229	1,466	11,516	272	655
1958-59	1,790	1,199	1,474	13,051	237	509
1959-60 p	1,012	930	1,142	13,140	200	512
<b>Quarter:</b>						
Sept. 1957	148	1,366	2,600	10,665	262	1,038
Dec.	3,980	1,584	1,118	14,817	253	630
Mar. 1958	1,075	1,136	856	10,970	301	554
June	374	829	1,290	9,610	270	397
Sept.	558	914	1,458	9,671	203	555
Dec.	4,389	1,044	132	16,311	252	571
Mar. 1959	2,161	1,634	2,384	12,872	241	278
June	51	1,203	1,920	13,352	253	633
Sept. p	331	2,188	1,284	11,356	139	540
Dec. p	2,544	711	2,405	17,712	283	332
Mar. 1960 p	1,169	531	696	13,378	186	549
June p	4	291	184	10,116	194	627
Sept. p	218	531	968	10,269	198	657
<b>MONTHLY TOTALS</b>						
July 1958	122	986	2,765	11,340	298	539
August	192	924	1,196	5,599	112	216
Sept.	1,359	830	413	12,073	200	908
July 1959 p	6	1,824	521	14,546	137	218
August p	169	2,368	2,267	8,378	219	638
Sept. p	818	2,371	1,065	11,142	62	764
July 1960 p	..	514	805	12,385	147	142
August p	..	200	349	8,611	241	1,166
Sept. p	654	880	1,750	9,810	205	663

(a) Greasy, including scoured, tops, noils and soft wool waste converted to greasy equivalent.

(b) Mainly copper, lead and zinc concentrates and ores.

For meaning of symbols p, .. , see page 2.

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EXPORTS - VALUE OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

Period	Total Exports	Lamb	Wheat	Barley	Wool	Lead (Pig)	Minerals (a)
£'000							
<b>MONTHLY AVERAGES</b>							
Year: 1955-56	7,923	141	921	586	2,919	1,598	397
1956-57	10,244	95	1,152	772	4,122	1,834	599
1957-58	8,323	139	890	716	3,045	1,309	653
1958-59	7,576	179	845	850	2,634	1,036	435
1959-60 p	7,567	75	652	510	3,120	903	520
<b>Quarter:</b>							
Sept. 1957	9,476	15	960	1,186	3,258	1,454	1,095
Dec.	9,502	398	1,142	503	4,060	1,291	745
Mar. 1958	7,462	104	830	470	2,747	1,316	402
June	6,854	37	630	705	2,115	1,173	368
Sept.	6,426	56	686	804	2,020	867	433
Dec.	7,540	439	763	78	3,160	1,178	497
Mar. 1959	7,974	215	1,144	1,419	2,467	1,042	155
June	8,366	5	789	1,101	2,888	1,059	653
Sept. p	7,791	33	1,528	615	2,573	599	576
Dec. p	9,498	187	510	1,042	4,284	1,282	410
Mar. 1960 p	6,943	78	371	300	3,258	828	538
June p	6,036	..	201	85	2,366	905	558
Sept. p	6,650	14	363	422	2,145	853	719
<b>MONTHLY TOTALS</b>							
July 1958	7,969	12	743	1,518	2,370	1,275	675
August	4,927	19	684	676	1,204	484	175
Sept.	6,381	136	631	217	2,485	841	447
July 1959 p	7,184	1	1,261	269	3,167	555	76
August p	8,507	17	1,658	1,097	1,881	951	954
Sept. p	7,683	81	1,667	479	2,672	291	697
July 1960 p	6,565	..	356	362	2,717	653	294
August p	6,945	..	134	159	1,770	1,017	1,435
Sept. p	6,439	43	600	744	1,948	888	429

(a) Mainly copper, lead and zinc concentrates and ores.

For meaning of symbols p, .. , see page 2.

IMPORTS - VALUE OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES

Period	Total Imports	Motor Vehicles & Parts	Machinery		Iron and Steel (b)	Tex-tiles	Timber					
			Electric Motors (a)	Other								
£'000												
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>												
Year:	1955-56	5,400	707	289	661	582	281					
	1956-57	3,784	378	230	551	282	208					
	1957-58	3,925	367	251	614	212	263					
	1958-59	3,779	433	312	560	166	235					
	1959-60 p	4,980	709	440	790	194	267					
<u>Quarter:</u>												
Sept.	1957	4,357	398	297	786	276	294					
Dec.		3,964	399	209	600	184	225					
Mar.	1958	4,051	369	315	621	231	302					
June		3,328	304	181	447	157	230					
Sept.		3,657	431	284	521	167	255					
Dec.		3,969	338	261	566	162	221					
Mar.	1959	3,644	316	396	553	188	257					
June		3,846	647	308	600	147	207					
Sept.	p	4,743	612	372	652	154	242					
Dec.	p	4,991	488	730	1,014	126	221					
Mar.	1960 p	4,567	659	264	672	170	288					
June	p	5,619	1,076	392	820	327	316					
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>												
June	1958	3,969	381	230	510	179	283					
July		3,364	322	319	448	153	215					
Aug.		4,019	739	295	499	185	263					
June	1959	3,573	477	166	637	174	214					
July	p	4,336	523	281	652	190	202					
Aug.	p	4,832	482	309	532	107	297					
June	1960 p	5,422	721	332	863	347	353					
July	p	4,730	925	375	450	244	274					
Aug.	p	7,125	1,236	346	805	739	344					

(a) Dynamo electrical machinery and electrical appliances and equipment.

(b) Metal and semi-manufactures (basic shapes), except wire, but including structural iron and steel.

For meaning of symbol p, see page 2.

## TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION

Period	New Motor Vehicles Registered				Licences Issued		Telephone Services Connected
	Total (a)	Cars	Station Wagons	Trucks & Utilities	Radio	Tele- vision	
<b>MONTHLY AVERAGE</b>							
Year:		Number of New Registrations				No.	No.
1955	2,309	1,567	19	461	1,366	..	1,106
1956	1,937	1,278	23	414	1,627	..	1,325
1957	1,906	1,279	51	367	1,486	..	1,337
1958	1,966	1,246	152	357	1,692	..	1,438
1959	2,139	1,253	272	396	1,589	4,258(b)	1,619
Quarter:		Number of New Registrations				No.	No.
Dec. 1957	2,108	1,412	76	373	1,340	..	1,414
Mar. 1958	1,863	1,160	100	342	1,326	..	1,592
June	1,938	1,268	145	324	1,850	..	1,334
Sept.	1,891	1,209	158	343	1,799	..	1,334
Dec.	2,158	1,340	204	414	1,795	..	1,492
Mar. 1959	1,929	1,156	199	389	1,444	..	1,341
June	1,947	1,088	234	403	1,897	3,010(b)	2,032
Sept.	2,135	1,222	313	377	1,644	3,752	1,595
Dec.	2,546	1,546	342	416	1,372	5,594	1,509
Mar. 1960	2,116	1,315	293	286	1,269	8,057	1,779
June	2,433	1,507	337	352	1,474	9,066	1,735
Sept.	2,836	1,750	421	412	1,717	5,762	1,610(e)
<b>MONTHLY TOTALS</b>							
August 1958	1,877	1,181	162	329	1,585	..	1,348
Sept.	1,994	1,265	175	367	1,692	..	1,227
Oct.	2,133	1,382	166	410	1,882	..	1,594
August 1959	2,094	1,228	296	335	1,524	3,169	1,702
Sept.	2,310	1,309	371	380	1,603	5,621	1,480
Oct.	2,524	1,565	353	390	1,760	5,744	1,624
August 1960	2,721	1,611	431	419	1,860	5,978	1,627(e)
Sept.	3,075	1,945	418	420	1,653	4,707	1,277
Oct.	2,948	1,891	351	412	1,553	3,576	1,293
AS AT 31ST OCT.	Total Vehicles on Register (c)				Total (d)		
1958	262,841	176,196	66,249	242,963	..		173,190
1959	266,826	183,743	65,106	249,301	23,021		185,649
1960	282,015	198,245	66,905	250,280	104,445		140,250(e)

(a) Includes other types of vehicles, e.g. Buses, Motor Cycles.

(b) Average from May, 1959, only

(c) Figures supplied by Registrar of Motor Vehicles.

(d) Total existing licences and phones includes Northern Territory (as at 30th June, 1960, Radio licences 3,356, Phones 3,791).

(e) From July, 1960, figures are for numbers of services, compared with numbers of instruments shown previously.

RETAIL SALES

The figures below relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs etc.) from fixed premises at which goods are normally sold by retail to the general public. Goods sold from hotels, garages and service stations are included but those from establishments such as clubs and guesthouses are excluded. Figures for the year 1956/57 are derived from a Census but other figures are estimates based on sample surveys.

Period	Food-stuffs (a)	Beer, Wine & Spirits	Clothing Footwear etc.	Electri- cal Goods (b)	Other Goods (c) (e)	Total (Excl. Motor Vehicles, etc.) (d) (e)	Motor Vehicles, Parts, etc. (e) (f)
<b>MONTHLY AVERAGES</b>							
Year:				£ million			
1953-54	4.3	1.3	3.0	0.7	3.7	13.0	4.3
1954-55	4.8	1.4	3.3	0.7	4.0	14.2	5.1
1955-56	5.2	1.5	3.5	0.8	4.3	15.3	5.5
1956-57	5.6	1.7	3.4	0.8	4.5	16.0	5.6
1957-58	5.7	1.7	3.4	0.9	4.5	16.2	5.6
1958-59	6.3	1.6	3.6	1.1	4.7	17.3	6.3
1959-60 p	6.7	1.7	3.8	1.9	5.2	19.3	7.0
Quarter:							
Sept. 1957	5.6	1.5	3.3	0.7	4.3	15.4	5.6
Dec.	5.8	1.9	4.0	1.1	5.1	17.9	5.8
Mar. 1958	5.6	1.8	2.9	0.9	4.2	15.4	5.6
June	5.7	1.5	3.6	0.8	4.4	16.0	5.4
Sept.	5.9	1.4	3.4	0.9	4.5	16.1	5.8
Dec.	6.5	1.8	4.1	1.2	5.3	18.9	6.5
Mar. 1959	6.3	1.8	2.9	1.0	4.4	16.4	6.2
June	6.3	1.5	4.0	1.2	4.7	17.7	6.5
Sept. p	6.4	1.6	3.6	1.5	4.8	17.9	6.4
Dec. p	6.9	1.9	4.3	2.2	5.9	21.2	7.3
Mar. 1960 p	6.6	1.9	3.2	1.9	5.0	18.6	6.8
June p	6.8	1.6	4.2	1.9	5.1	19.6	7.3

- (a) Includes groceries, butchers' meat, fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, etc., but excludes some delivered milk and bread.
- (b) Includes radios, television and accessories, musical instruments, domestic refrigerators, etc.
- (c) Includes tobacco, cigarettes, etc., newspapers, books and stationery, hardware, chemists' goods, grain and produce, jewellery, office equipment, etc.
- (d) Excludes basic building materials (e.g. timber, roofing tiles, bricks, cement etc.).
- (e) Excludes farm machinery and implements, earth moving equipment, etc.
- (f) Includes new and used motor vehicles, tractors, parts, petrol etc.

For meaning of symbol p, see page 2.

RETAIL HIRE PURCHASE (a)

(Of Finance Businesses which finance the sale of goods by retail, but do not retail goods themselves)

Period	Number of agreements No.	Value of goods sold (b) £'000	Amount financed (c) £'000	Balances outstanding (end of period) £'000
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>				
Year: 1955-56	7,853	2,417	1,518	21,618
1956-57	8,526	2,754	1,770	25,342
1957-58	10,760	2,878	1,884	28,688
1958-59	11,833	3,130	2,072	32,802
1959-60	12,791	3,915	2,682	42,922
<u>Quarter:</u>				
Sept. 1957	9,645	2,654	1,726	25,788
Dec. 1957	11,706	3,031	1,973	27,426
Mar. 1958	10,699	2,865	1,889	27,859
June 1958	10,990	2,962	1,950	28,688
Sept. 1958	11,421	2,974	1,950	29,630
Dec. 1958	13,126	3,434	2,277	31,780
Mar. 1959	11,148	2,939	1,943	31,978
June 1959	11,636	3,172	2,119	32,802
Sept. 1959	12,302	3,495	2,349	34,954
Dec. 1959	14,454	4,204	2,894	38,680
Mar. 1960	12,498	3,862	2,654	40,434
June 1960	11,910	4,100	2,832	42,922
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>				
Apr. 1958	10,299	3,082	2,013	28,288
May 1958	11,895	3,084	2,035	28,585
June 1958	10,777	2,719	1,802	28,688
Apr. 1959	11,726	3,241	2,108	32,152
May 1959	11,114	3,048	2,044	32,517
June 1959	12,067	3,227	2,204	32,802
Feb. 1960	11,153	3,674	2,509	39,676
Mar. 1960	13,690	4,409	3,031	40,434
Apr. 1960	11,005	3,821	2,636	41,160
May 1960	12,447	4,248	2,955	43,069
June 1960	12,277	4,232	2,904	42,922

(a) Includes Northern Territory.

(b) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hire charges and insurance).

(c) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

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## STATE FINANCE - CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND

Period	Receipts			Payments			
	Total (inc. other)	Cwlth Grants	Business under- takings	Total (inc. other)	Social Services	Debt Charges	Business under- takings
<b>MONTHLY AVERAGES</b>							
Year:				£'000			
1955-56	4,950	1,665	1,885	5,069	1,363	982	1,593
1956-57	5,480	1,885	1,995	5,484	1,504	1,101	1,639
1957-58	5,887	2,050	2,109	5,920	1,659	1,217	1,705
1958-59	6,057	2,089	2,099	6,142	1,908	1,340	1,601
1959-60	6,690	2,487	2,099	6,716	2,182	1,494	1,680
Quarter:							
Dec.	1957	6,002	1,842	2,626	6,320	1,344	1,762
Mar.	1958	5,806	1,710	2,236	5,492	899	1,620
June		6,919	2,949	1,849	6,907	1,857	1,716
Sept.		4,627	1,724	1,390	5,193	1,747	1,611
Dec.		6,433	1,820	2,832	6,693	1,945	1,603
Mar.	1959	5,784	1,770	2,175	5,617	1,772	1,538
June		7,383	3,043	1,998	7,066	2,167	1,817
Sept.		5,201	1,916	1,666	5,898	2,096	1,198
Dec.		6,775	2,037	2,762	7,030	2,162	1,536
Mar.	1960	6,273	1,904	2,081	6,191	2,080	1,224
June		8,510	4,091	1,885	7,744	2,389	2,019
Sept.		5,820	2,089	1,871	5,986	2,190	1,637
<b>MONTHLY TOTALS</b>							
Aug.	1958	4,193	1,725	1,190	5,128	1,569	1,185
Sept.		4,883	1,724	1,648	5,225	1,734	993
Oct.		6,944	1,929	3,645	7,937	1,798	1,783
Aug.	1959	4,999	1,904	1,634	5,880	1,883	1,532
Sept.		5,198	1,903	1,759	6,069	2,150	1,182
Oct.		5,403	1,904	2,057	6,299	1,989	1,829
Aug.	1960	5,864	2,089	1,850	6,586	2,109	1,784
Sept.		6,215	2,039	2,399	6,119	2,455	1,172
Oct.		6,905	2,089	3,183	7,894	2,093	1,941

## REAL ESTATE AND BANKING

Period	Real Estate Mortgages		Property Transferred (a)	Savings Banks	Cheque Paying Banks		
	Loaned	Discharged		Balance of Deposits	Balance of Deposits (b)	Balance of Advances (b)	Debits to Clients' Accounts (c)
<u>MONTHLY AVERAGES</u>							
Year:	1955-56	3,186	1,405	5,537	133,068	122,374	54,499
	1956-57	3,538	1,306	5,190	138,352	126,242	53,260
	1957-58	3,695	1,697	6,034	145,615	134,711	57,286
	1958-59	4,747	1,795	6,541	151,427	132,179	62,791
	1959-60	5,181	2,116	8,308	161,944	135,127	68,170
<u>Quarter:</u>							
Dec.	1957	3,401	1,504	5,551	146,000	136,037	56,194
Mar.	1958	3,572	1,613	5,935	146,176	141,178	57,502
June		3,968	1,820	6,504	146,529	131,350	62,985
Sept.		5,402	2,234	6,615	149,596	125,208	63,253
Dec.		4,391	1,643	6,041	150,415	129,536	63,483
Mar.	1959	4,123	1,345	6,198	151,732	138,129	61,897
June		5,071	1,957	7,309	153,966	136,299	62,462
Sept.		5,002	2,374	7,881	159,107	132,003	64,645
Dec.		5,086	2,094	7,665	162,352	135,605	66,717
Mar.	1960	5,181	2,132	8,496	162,867	140,430	66,890
June		5,455	1,866	9,191	163,452	132,747	74,587
Sept.		7,791	2,974	9,931	166,326	125,274	78,629
<u>MONTHLY TOTALS</u>							
Aug.	1958	6,655	2,795	6,279	149,378	124,332	63,384
Sept.		4,693	1,659	6,018	149,850	124,291	61,853
Oct.		4,360	1,666	6,694	150,001	128,091	62,779
Aug.	1959	4,899	2,289	7,399	158,931	129,768	65,387
Sept.		4,568	2,049	7,259	160,306	133,085	64,916
Oct.		5,261	2,235	7,664	161,926	132,708	66,395
Aug.	1960	7,639	3,055	9,860	166,330	124,898	78,795
Sept.		6,155	2,158	9,321	166,112	124,602	79,186
Oct.		6,801	2,312	8,864			55,718

(a) Excludes conveyances of shares, devises by will, etc.

(b) Average of balances at close of business on Wednesdays during the period.  
Banks were exempted from submitting returns for the 4th Wednesday in December of each year.

(c) Average of debits during weeks ending on Wednesdays in the period. Includes Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and the Commonwealth Development Bank.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

For current statistical purposes, the Consumer Price Index replaces both the "C" Series and the Interim Retail Price Indexes. This title is adopted in conformity with world trends in naming indexes of retail prices (including prices of services, accommodation etc.) paid by consumers, and wherein these prices are weighted according to patterns of consumption. "Retail" or "consumer" price indexes measure the degree of change in "price" only. They may indicate the proportionate change in the cost of a defined standard of living, but they do not measure the cost of living itself nor the money cost of changes in the standard of living.

The list of items used in compiling this index has been expanded to include home ownership, weekly payments for houses let by State Housing Authorities, major household appliances (such as refrigerators, washing machines and television sets), private motoring, beer and other additional items.

Period	CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ADELAIDE (Base of each group 1952-53 = 100)					
	Food	Clothing and Drapery	Housing	Household Supplies & Equipment	Miscell- aneous	All Groups
Year:						
	1950-51	70.1	76.6	75.9	79.2	77.6
	1951-52	90.9	93.6	85.0	92.8	92.0
	1952-53	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
	1953-54	103.5	101.4	109.9	100.6	99.1
	1954-55	106.1	101.7	113.0	100.4	99.1
	1955-56	110.9	101.6	120.8	100.1	104.1
	1956-57	114.7	101.7	129.2	103.2	111.6
	1957-58	111.8	104.4	133.9	104.0	114.2
	1958-59	117.5	105.4	137.1	105.0	114.6
	1959-60	123.1	106.8	140.0	106.0	118.8
Quarter:	Sept.	1957	112.9	103.5	131.7	104.1
	Dec.		110.7	104.2	133.9	104.3
	Mar.	1958	110.5	104.2	134.4	103.7
	June		113.0	105.6	135.5	103.8
	Sept.		114.7	105.7	135.9	104.7
	Dec.		116.7	105.6	137.0	104.8
	Mar.	1959	118.7	105.3	137.5	105.1
	June		119.8	104.8	137.9	105.3
	Sept.		120.2	105.7	138.7	105.7
	Dec.		120.2	106.5	139.5	105.9
	Mar.	1960	123.7	107.0	140.3	106.2
	June		128.1	108.1	141.3	106.0
	Sept.		130.4	108.3	143.4	106.0

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## RIVERSIDE RAINFALL - AGRICULTURAL AREA

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Period	Statistical Division	Statistical Division						Whole State	
		Central	Lower North	Upper North	South Eastern	Western	Murray Mallee		
<b>TOTALS FOR PERIOD</b>		<b>Inches</b>							
	Mean(a)	18.04	16.49	13.96	23.61	13.91	12.58	15.73	
Year:	1956	20.88	21.13	18.45	28.10	21.46	16.51	20.46	
	1957	11.36	10.62	10.23	17.39	8.73	8.19	10.06	
	1958	17.29	15.70	17.29	23.59	16.02	13.58	16.25	
	1959	10.99	9.59	9.45	14.26	8.29	8.20	9.53	
<b>Wheat-growing Season</b>		<b>-Mean(a)</b>							
	(Apr.-Nov.)	14.85	13.33	10.72	19.49	11.57	9.62	12.73	
	1956	18.86	18.98	16.09	24.78	19.26	13.82	18.18	
	1957	10.38	9.36	8.15	14.44	7.34	6.58	8.67	
	1958	15.65	13.67	15.32	22.27	13.20	11.98	14.21	
	1959	7.30	6.12	6.02	8.96	5.67	5.44	6.28	
<b>Season to date</b>		<b>(Apr.-Oct.)</b>							
	1956	18.33	18.14	15.28	24.07	18.90	13.12	17.58	
	1957	9.77	8.71	7.72	12.70	7.02	6.09	8.12	
	1958	15.23	13.00	13.24	20.95	12.67	10.79	13.46	
	1959	6.65	5.49	5.57	8.38	4.58	4.97	5.54	
	1960 p	15.56	15.91	16.76	21.06	13.01	10.50	14.35	
	Apr.	0.28	0.24	0.09	0.44	0.18	0.11	0.21	
	May	0.53	0.28	0.48	0.63	0.60	0.38	0.47	
	June	0.40	0.41	0.24	0.85	0.44	0.26	0.41	
	July	1.20	1.56	1.81	1.42	1.17	0.69	1.22	
	Aug.	1.45	1.04	0.59	2.70	0.58	0.91	1.04	
	Sept.	1.34	1.06	1.24	1.51	0.98	0.96	1.11	
	Oct.	1.45	0.90	1.12	0.83	0.63	1.66	1.08	
	Apr.	1960 p	2.45	1.62	0.94	3.06	2.20	1.43	1.99
	May	p	4.81	5.05	5.04	5.06	2.92	2.64	3.98
	June	p	1.19	1.07	0.89	1.95	1.14	0.76	1.10
	July	p	1.96	2.65	3.32	2.73	2.08	1.71	2.19
	Aug.	p	1.82	1.83	2.05	2.17	1.59	1.17	1.67
	Sept.	p	2.84	3.20	4.16	4.61	2.85	2.44	2.99
	Oct.	p	0.49	0.49	0.36	1.48	0.23	0.35	0.43

(a) 55 years, 1905-1959.

NOTE: Rainfall figures are means of readings at selected stations in agricultural areas of each Statistical Division of the State.

For meaning of symbol p, see page 2.

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